THE DARK DIMENSION PART 1

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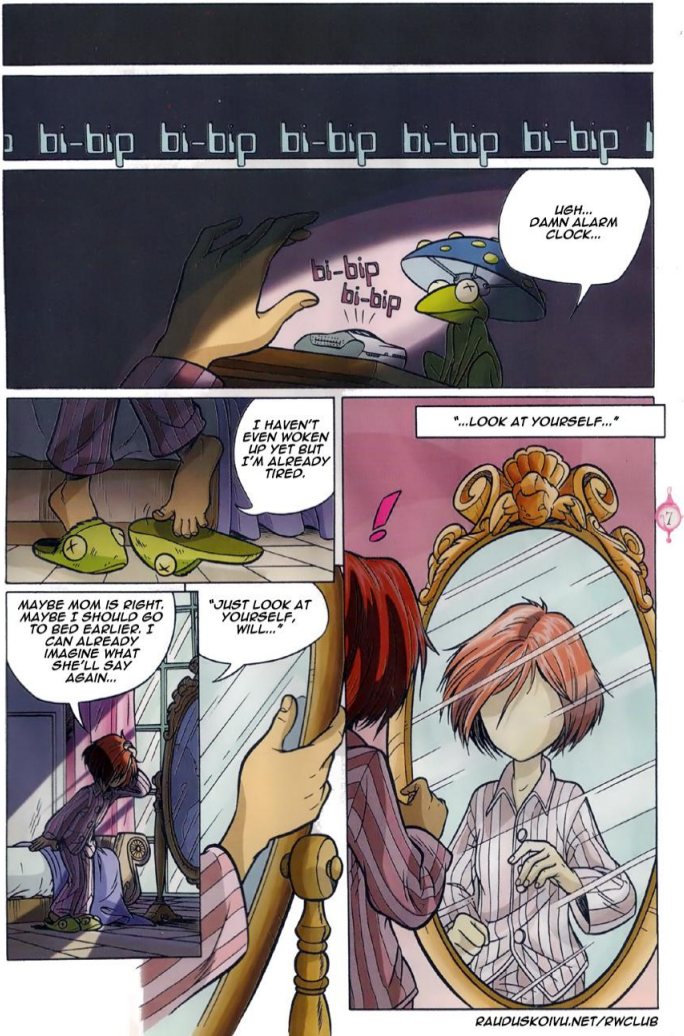
bi-bip bi-bip bi-bip bi-bip bi-bip
UGH... DAMN ALARM CLOCK...
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I HAVEN'T EVEN WOKEN UP YET BUT I'M ALREADY TIRED.
MAYBE MOM IS RIGHT. MAYBE I SHOULD GO TO BED EARLIER. I CAN ALREADY IMAGINE WHAT SHE'LL SAY AGAIN...
"JUST LOOK AT YOURSELF, WILL..."
"...LOOK AT YOURSELF..."
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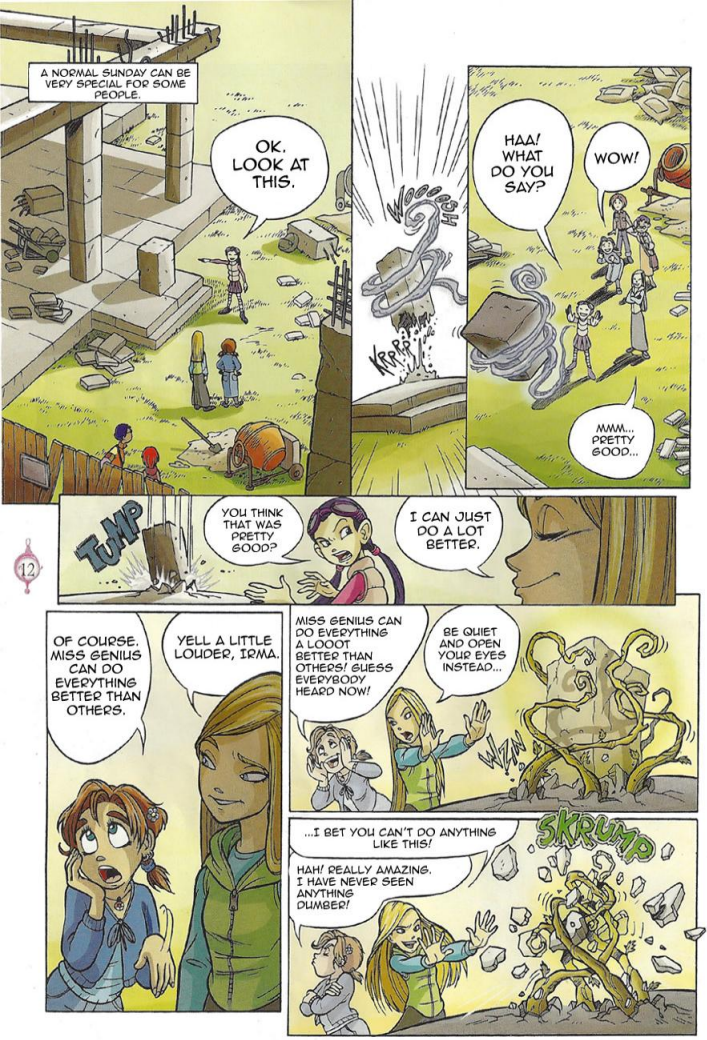
W-WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO ME?
WHERE IS MY FACE?
WILL! BREAKFAST IS READY!
J-JUST A MINUTE, MOM!
I CAN'T GO OUT LOOKING LIKE THIS!
OF COURSE! MARKERS! IT CAN'T BE THAT HARD.
I WISH MY HAND WOULD STOP SHAKING. OK, LET'S START FROM THE NOSE...
I DON'T LIKE THIS! I DON'T LIKE THIS AT ALL!
SHINK

THAT ISN'T ME. I DON'T LOOK LIKE THAT.
NO ONE WILL NEVER RECOGNIZE ME AGAIN.
NO ONE...
UUH!
KBUMP
YOU! STOP RIGHT THERE!
I GOT ONLY FEW HOURS OF SLEEP AND IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT.
YOU DIDN'T STAY QUIET FOR A SECOND!
AND LOOK AT THIS MESS! WOULDN'T BELIEVE I CLEANED JUST YESTERDAY.

IF WE'RE GOING TO BE FRIENDS, WE HAVE TO MAKE SOME RULES.
HNNK!
KLUMP
FORGET IT.
KRUMB
YOU CAN CLEAN LATER, WILL! YOU HAVE MADE PLANS WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND YOU ARE LATE ALREADY!
I KNOW! THANK YOU, ALARMING CLOCK.
WILL! BREAKFAST IS READY.
OK. I JUST NEED TO GET DRESSED, MOM.
WHO WERE YOU TALKING TO?
WHO I WAS TALKING TO? UM... TO HIM, OF COURSE.
I YELLED HIM FOR ALL THE THING HE HAS DONE. I MEAN, LOOK AT THIS MESS.
ARE YOU SURE IT'S ALL HIS FAULT?
DORMOUSE TENDS TO SLEEP A LOT, RIGHT?
HM... NOT THAT ONE!

A MESSY GIRL LIKE YOU SHOULDN'T LIE.
BUT IT'S TRUE! TELL HER!
BREAKFAST IS WAITING ALREADY.
HMPH! WHEN I COME BACK WE HAVE A LOT TO TALK ABOUT.
ROOOAR
YOU'RE GOING OUT?
YEP, I MADE PLANS WITH MY FRIENDS.
I WAS HOPING WE COULD TALK. IT'S SUNDAY, WILL. THE ONLY DAY WE HAVE SOME TIME TOGETHER.
LET'S TALK IN THE EVENING, OK? BYE!
I... WELL, OKAY THEN...


A NORMAL SUNDAY CAN BE VERY SPECIAL FOR SOME PEOPLE.
OK. LOOK AT THIS.
WOOOSH
KRRR
HAA! WHAT DO YOU SAY?
WOW!
MMM... PRETTY GOOD...
TUMP
YOU THINK THAT WAS PRETTY GOOD?
I CAN JUST DO A LOT BETTER.
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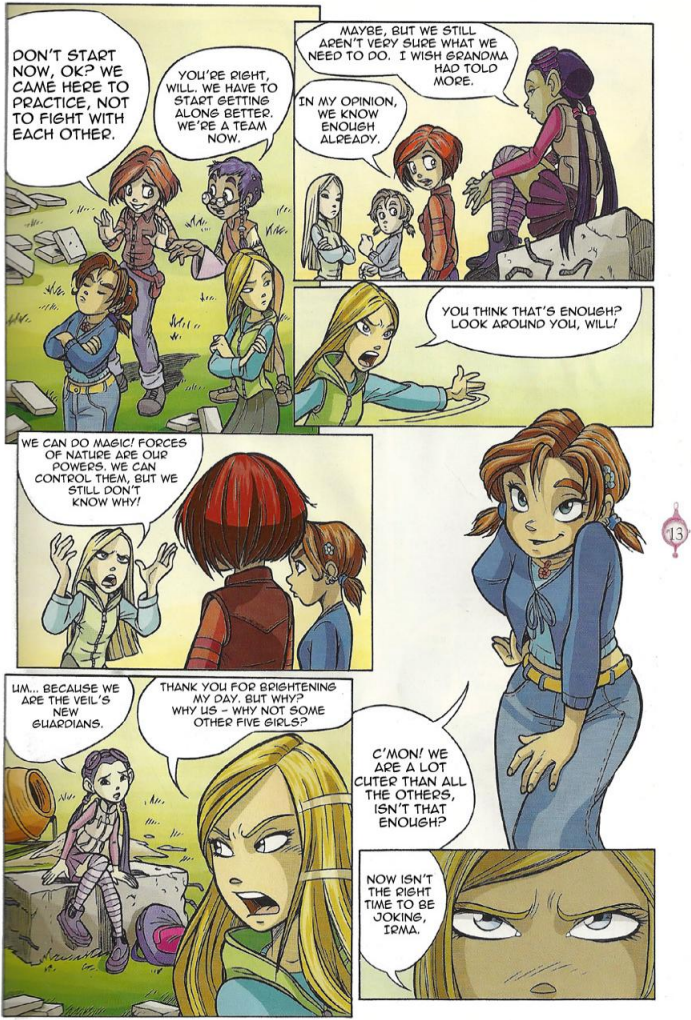
OF COURSE. MISS GENIUS CAN DO EVERYTHING BETTER THAN OTHERS.
YELL A LITTLE LOUDER, IRMA.
MISS GENIUS CAN DO EVERYTHING A LOOOT BETTER THAN OTHERS! GUESS EVERYBODY HEARD NOW!
BE QUIET AND OPEN YOUR EYES INSTEAD...
WHZW
...I BET YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING LIKE THIS!
SKRUMP
HAH! REALLY AMAZING. I HAVE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING DUMBER!


DON'T START NOW, OK? WE CAME HERE TO PRACTICE, NOT TO FIGHT WITH EACH OTHER.
YOU'RE RIGHT, WILL. WE HAVE TO START GETTING ALONG BETTER. WE'RE A TEAM NOW.
MAYBE, BUT WE STILL AREN'T VERY SURE WHAT WE NEED TO DO. I WISH GRANDMA HAD TOLD MORE.
IN MY OPINION, WE KNOW ENOUGH ALREADY.
YOU THINK THAT'S ENOUGH? LOOK AROUND YOU, WILL!
WE CAN DO MAGIC! FORCES OF NATURE ARE OUR POWERS. WE CAN CONTROL THEM, BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHY!
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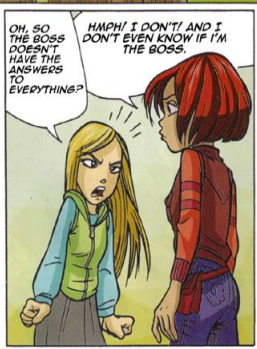
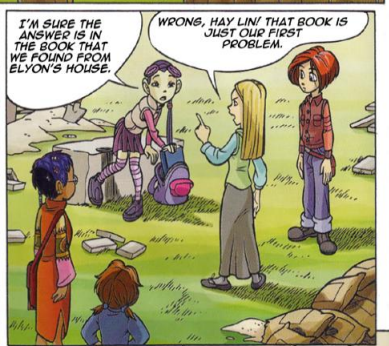
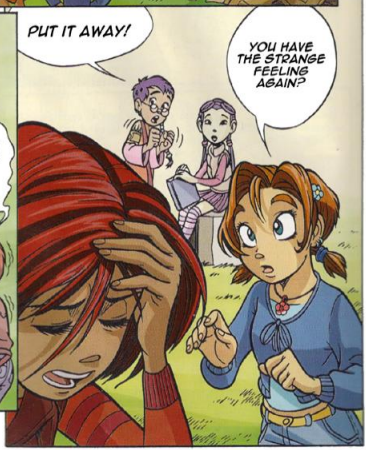
UM... BECAUSE WE ARE THE VEIL'S NEW GUARDIANS.
THANK YOU FOR BRIGHTENING MY DAY. BUT WHY? WHY US – WHY NOT SOME OTHER FIVE GIRLS?
C'MON! WE ARE A LOT CUTER THAN ALL THE OTHERS, ISN'T THAT ENOUGH?
NOW ISN'T THE RIGHT TIME TO BE JOKING, IRMA.

OUR LIVES HAVE CHANGED, WILL... AND SOMEBODY ELSE HAS MADE THE DECISION FOR US.
YOU ARE RIGHT, CORNELIA. BUT WHAT CAN I SAY TO YOU? I ONLY KNOW THE SAME THINGS YOU DO.

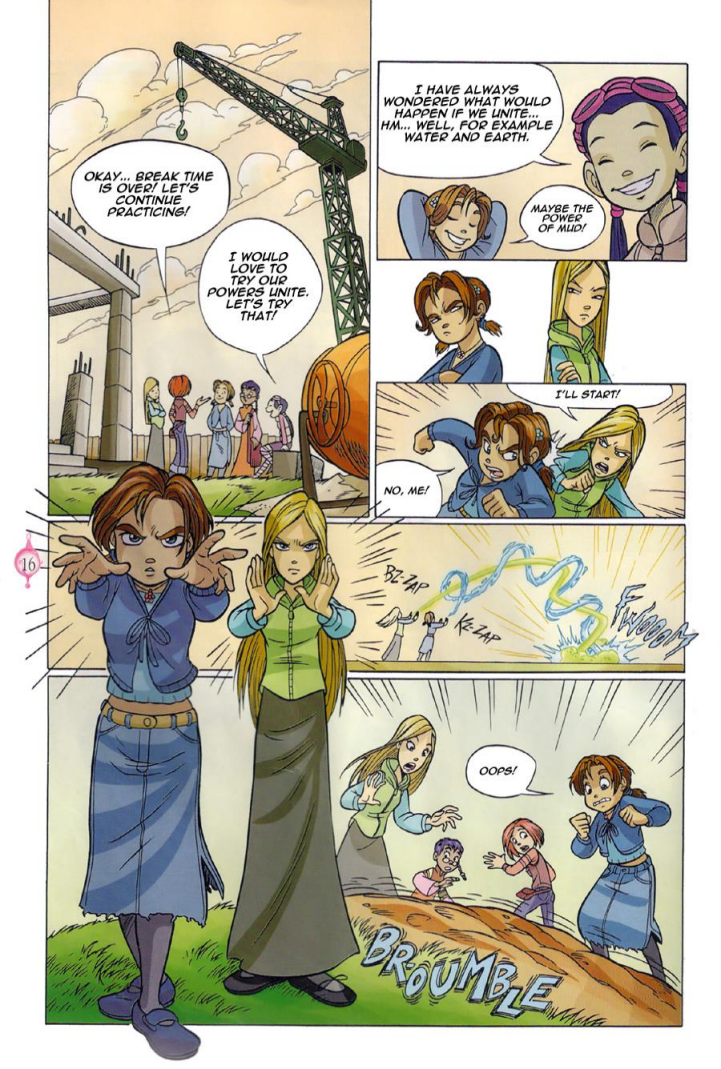

OH, SO THE BOSS DOESN'T HAVE THE ANSWERS TO EVERYTHING?
HMPH! I DON'T! AND I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF I'M THE BOSS.


I'M SURE THE ANSWER IS IN THE BOOK THAT WE FOUND FROM ELYON'S HOUSE.
WRONG, HAY LIN! THAT BOOK IS JUST OUR FIRST PROBLEM.

HAVE YOU TRIED TO OPEN IT?
ARE YOU KIDDING? I HAVE CRAWLED ON THIS LIKE A MANIAC! BUT IT WON'T OPEN!
THE BOOK... THE BOOK HAS SOME KIND OF SPELL...


PUT IT AWAY!
YOU HAVE THE STRANGE FEELING AGAIN?

YEAH, FELT A LITTLE DIZZY AND LIKE I HAD BUTTERFLIES IN MY STOMACH. BUT I WILL GET USED TO IT.
MAYBE IT'S SOMETHING YOU ATE?
HA HA HA! MAYBE. THE FEELING ONLY LASTS FOR COUPLE OF SECONDS AND THEN... UH! IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN...
...ACTUALLY, IT FEELS THE SAME AS THE MATH TEACHER WOULD BE ASKING ME TO SOLVE AN EXERCISE ON THE BOARD.
AHA! SO IT MEANS YOU ARE SCARED OF SOMETHING!
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE! MAYBE THE TEACHER IS A CREATURE FROM METAWORLD?
MISS RUDOLPH? BUT SHE'S SO NICE!
YOU DON'T KNOW. I MEAN, IT'S NOT VERY NORMAL TO DEDICATE YOUR WHOLE LIFE FOR MATH, EH?
HA HA HAA!


OKAY... BREAK TIME IS OVER! LET'S CONTINUE PRACTICING!
I WOULD LOVE TO TRY OUR POWERS UNITE. LET'S TRY THAT!
I HAVE ALWAYS WONDERED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF WE UNITE... HM... WELL, FOR EXAMPLE WATER AND EARTH.
MAYBE THE POWER OF MUD!
I'LL START!
NO, ME!
BZ-ZAP
KZ-ZAP
FWOOOSH
OOPS!
BROUMBLE
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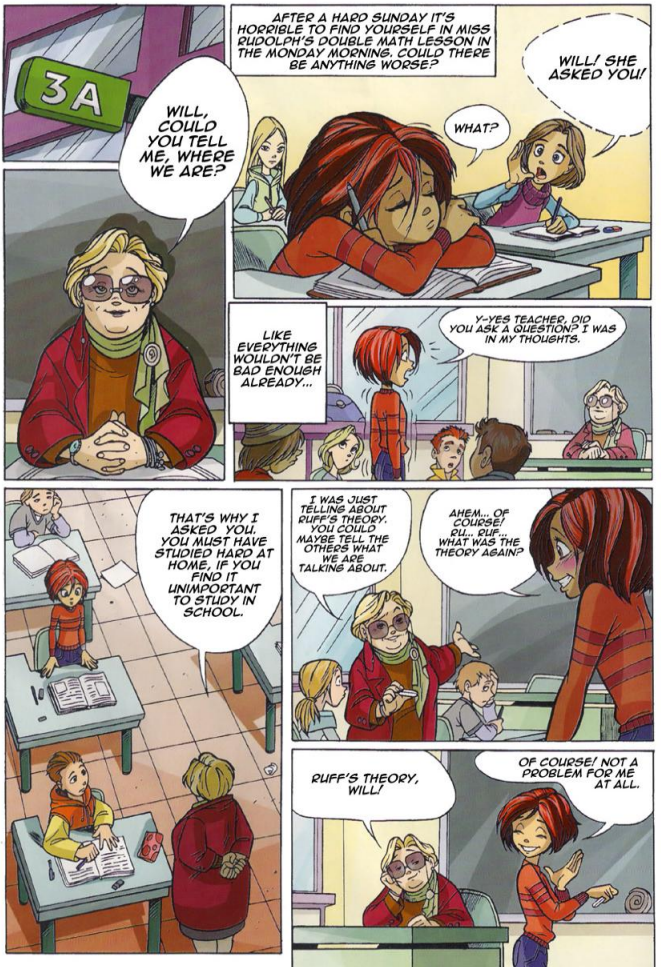
YUCK! HAPPY NOW?
OH NO, YOU NEED AT LEAST A TRUCK OF SHAMPOO FOR YOUR HAIR NOW!
STOP!
KWIIN
FWOOOSH
EEEK!
AAH!
UHHUH!
SIGH.
BLUBL
BLUB
GLUB
UM... WHERE ARE WE?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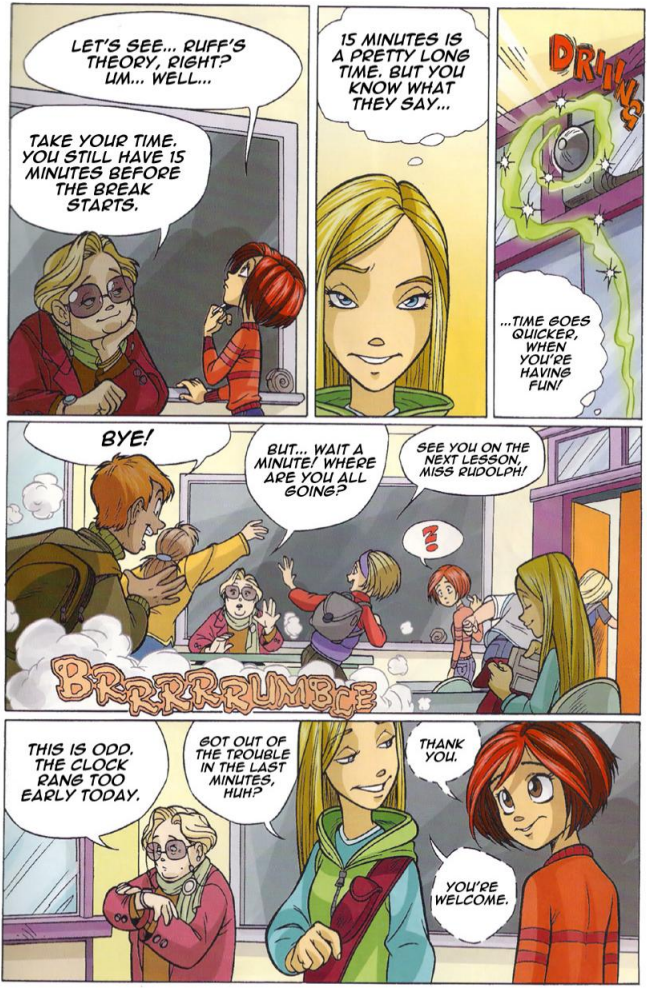
WILL, COULD YOU TELL ME, WHERE WE ARE?
AFTER A HARD SUNDAY IT'S HORRIBLE TO FIND YOURSELF IN MISS RUDOLPH'S DOUBLE MATH LESSON IN THE MONDAY MORNING. COULD THERE BE ANYTHING WORSE?
WILL! SHE ASKED YOU!
WHAT?
LIKE EVERYTHING WOULDN'T BE BAD ENOUGH ALREADY...
Y-YES TEACHER, DID YOU ASK A QUESTION? I WAS IN MY THOUGHTS.
THAT'S WHY I ASKED YOU. YOU MUST HAVE STUDIED HARD AT HOME, IF YOU FIND IT UNIMPORTANT TO STUDY IN SCHOOL.
I WAS JUST TELLING ABOUT RUFF'S THEORY. YOU COULD MAYBE TELL THE OTHERS WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT.
AHEM... OF COURSE! RU... RUF... WHAT WAS THE THEORY AGAIN?
RUFF'S THEORY, WILL!
OF COURSE! NOT A PROBLEM FOR ME AT ALL.


LET'S SEE... RUFF'S THEORY, RIGHT? UM... WELL...
TAKE YOUR TIME. YOU STILL HAVE 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE BREAK STARTS.
15 MINUTES IS A PRETTY LONG TIME. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY...
DRIIING
...TIME GOES QUICKER, WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN!
BYE!
BUT... WAIT A MINUTE! WHERE ARE YOU ALL GOING?
SEE YOU ON THE NEXT LESSON, MISS RUDOLPH!
?!
BR-R-R-R-RUMBLE
THIS IS ODD. THE CLOCK RANG TOO EARLY TODAY.
GOT OUT OF THE TROUBLE IN THE LAST MINUTES, HUH?
THANK YOU.
YOU'RE WELCOME.

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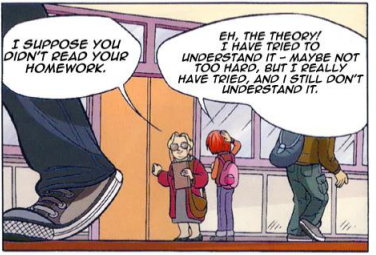
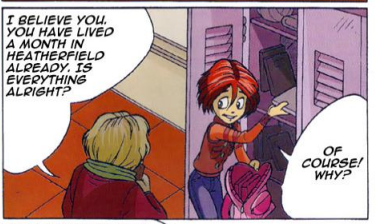

I SUPPOSE YOU DIDN'T READ YOUR HOMEWORK.
EH, THE THEORY! I HAVE TRIED TO UNDERSTAND IT - MAYBE NOT TOO HARD, BUT I REALLY HAVE TRIED, AND I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND IT.



I KNOW MATH ISN'T THE MOST INTERESTING SUBJECT IN SCHOOL, BUT YOU SEEM TO BE IN YOUR OWN THOUGHTS VERY OFTEN LATELY. YOU SEEM TO BE SO VERY FAR AWAY.
I'M SORRY. I GUESS I'M JUST A LITTLE TIRED. BUT EVERYTHING IS OK.
THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR. AND IF YOU'D LIKE, I COULD HELP YOU A LITTLE WITH THE THEORY.
I DON'T USUALLY TEACH STUDENTS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL, BUT I'D LIKE FOR YOU TO START PAYING ATTENTION IN CLASSES TOO.
WELL... T-THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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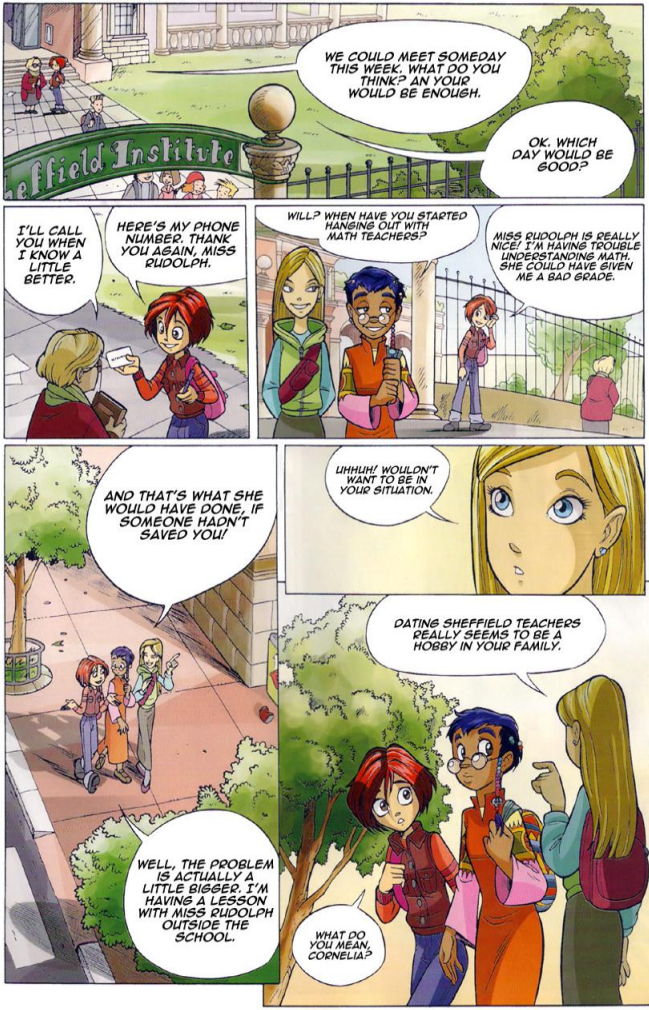
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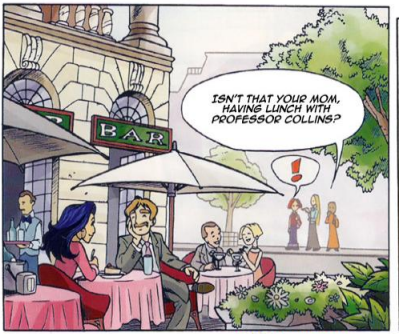
WE COULD MEET SOMEDAY THIS WEEK. WHAT DO YOU THINK? AN YOUR WOULD BE ENOUGH.
OK. WHICH DAY WOULD BE GOOD?
I'LL CALL YOU WHEN I KNOW A LITTLE BETTER.
HERE'S MY PHONE NUMBER. THANK YOU AGAIN, MISS RUDOLPH.
WILL? WHEN HAVE YOU STARTED HANGING OUT WITH MATH TEACHERS?
MISS RUDOLPH IS REALLY NICE! I'M HAVING TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING MATH. SHE COULD HAVE GIVEN ME A BAD GRADE.
AND THAT'S WHAT SHE WOULD HAVE DONE, IF SOMEONE HADN'T SAVED YOU!
UHHUH! WOULDN'T WANT TO BE IN YOUR SITUATION.
DATING SHEFFIELD TEACHERS REALLY SEEMS TO BE A HOBBY IN YOUR FAMILY.
WELL, THE PROBLEM IS ACTUALLY A LITTLE BIGGER. I'M HAVING A LESSON WITH MISS RUDOLPH OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, CORNELIA?


BAR
ISN'T THAT YOUR MOM, HAVING LUNCH WITH PROFESSOR COLLINS?
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SEE YOU IN SCHOOL TOMORROW, WILL!
I...

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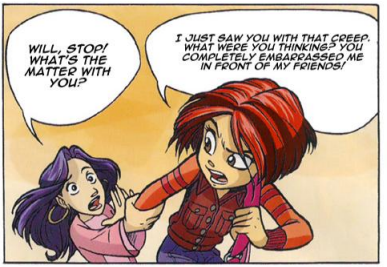
WILL!
GO AWAY! LEAVE ME ALONE!
BAR

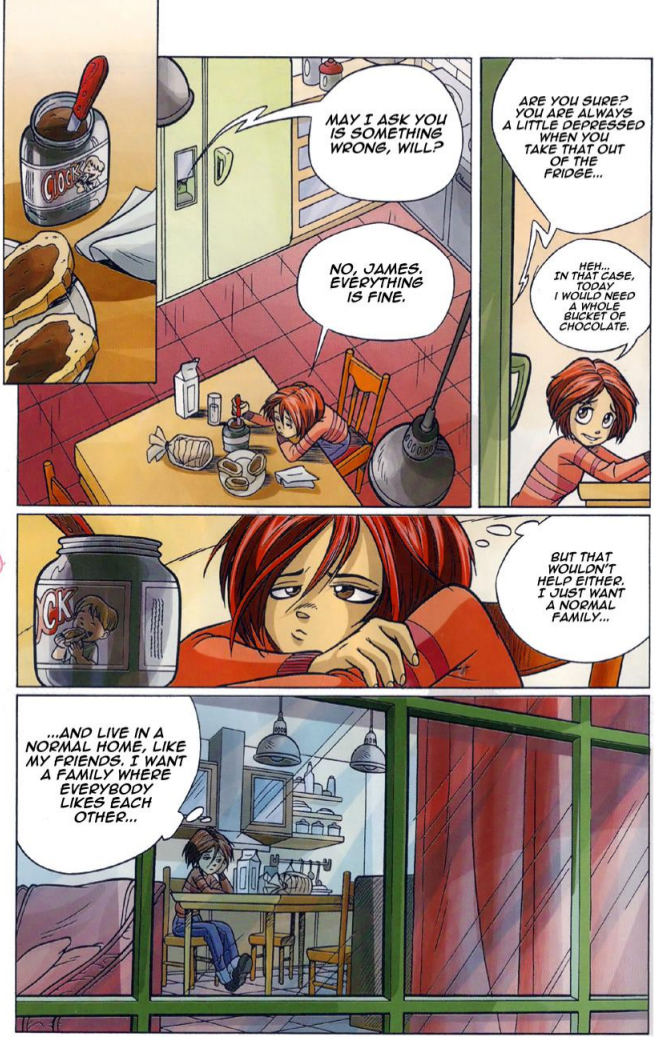

WILL, STOP! WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU?
I JUST SAW YOU WITH THAT CREEP. WHAT WERE YOU THINKING? YOU COMPLETELY EMBARRASSED ME IN FRONT OF MY FRIENDS!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? DEAN IS JUST A GOOD FRIEND.
DEAN? YOU CALL HIM BY HIS FIRST NAME?

DON'T BE MAD ABOUT THAT. IT'S JUST A BUSINESS LUNCH. MY COMPANY AND YOUR SCHOOL...
YOU ARE LYING! I SAW YOU WERE HOLDING HIS HAND!

WILL! DON'T GO!

SUSAN...
OH DEAN. I CAN'T DO ANYTHING RIGHT.


MAY I ASK YOU IS SOMETHING WRONG, WILL?
NO, JAMES. EVERYTHING IS FINE.
ARE YOU SURE? YOU ARE ALWAYS A LITTLE DEPRESSED WHEN YOU TAKE THAT OUT OF THE FRIDGE...
HEH... IN THAT CASE, TODAY I WOULD NEED A WHOLE BUCKET OF CHOCOLATE.
BUT THAT WOULDN'T HELP EITHER. I JUST WANT A NORMAL FAMILY...
...AND LIVE IN A NORMAL HOME, LIKE MY FRIENDS. I WANT A FAMILY WHERE EVERYBODY LIKES EACH OTHER...

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GIANTS
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"...NO LIES..."
IS HAY LIN COMING HOME FOR LUCNH TODAY?
SHE JUST CALLED THAT SHE IS GOING TO LIBRARY WITH IRMA.
"...NO MYSTERIES..."

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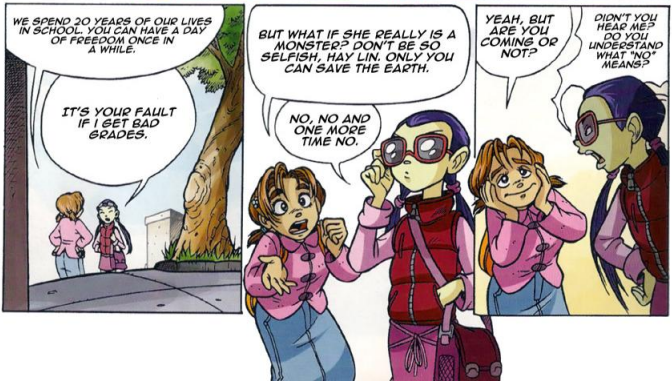
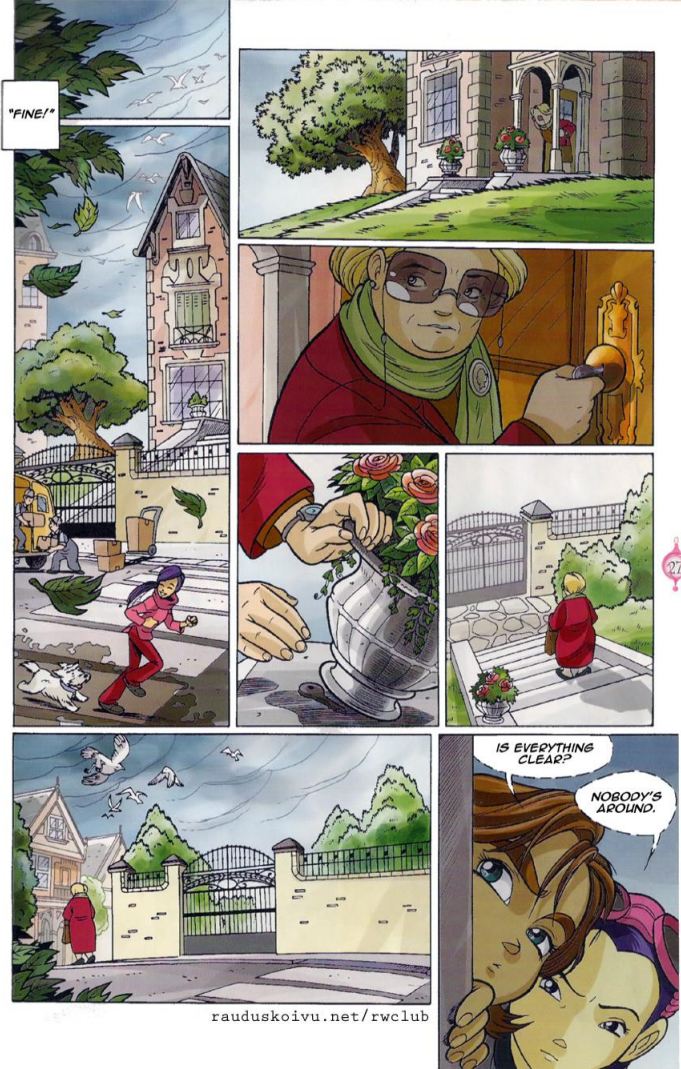
AND LEAVE MISS RUDOLPH'S SECRET ALONE? NEVER!
WHAT SECRET? SHE HAS BEEN SITTING THE WHOLE DAY CORRECTING TESTS. WHY CAN'T YOU ADMIT YOU HAVE MISTAKEN?

I DON'T ADMIT ANYTHING YET. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT MY THOUGHTS AREN'T COMPLETELY USELESS. HEY, I GOT IT! YOU AREN'T DOING ANYTHING TOMORROW MORNING, ARE YOU?
OF COURSE I AM! TOMORROW IS A SCHOOL DAY.


WE SPEND 20 YEARS OF OUR LIVES IN SCHOOL. YOU CAN HAVE A DAY OF FREEDOM ONCE IN A WHILE.
IT'S YOUR FAULT IF I GET BAD GRADES.
BUT WHAT IF SHE REALLY IS A MONSTER? DON'T BE SO SELFISH, HAY LIN. ONLY YOU CAN SAVE THE EARTH.
NO, NO AND ONE MORE TIME NO.
YEAH, BUT ARE YOU COMING OR NOT?
DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME? DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT "NO" MEANS?



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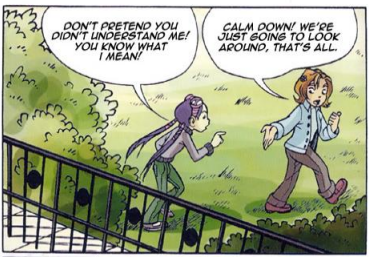
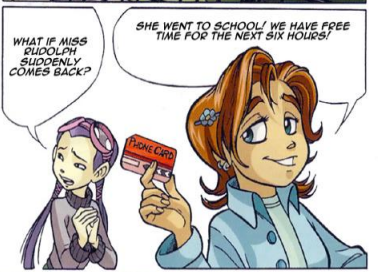
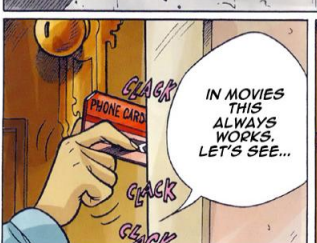
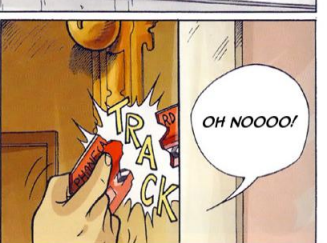
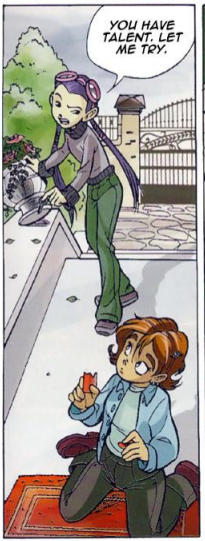


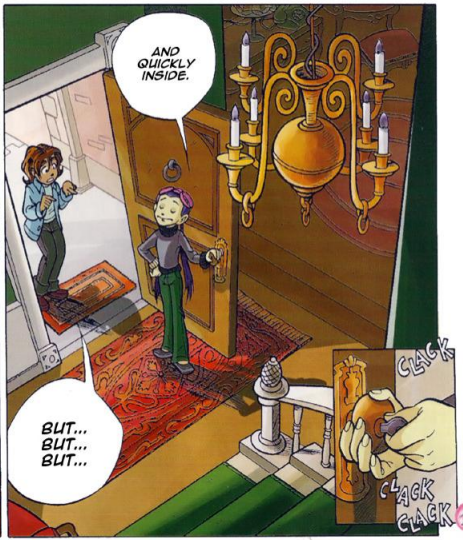


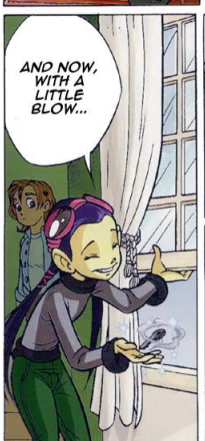
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THAT CARD? WHY DON'T YOU USE THE KEY?
WE AREN'T TOUCHING ANYTHING. WE CAN'T LEAVE ANY KINDS OF MARK WE WERE HERE.











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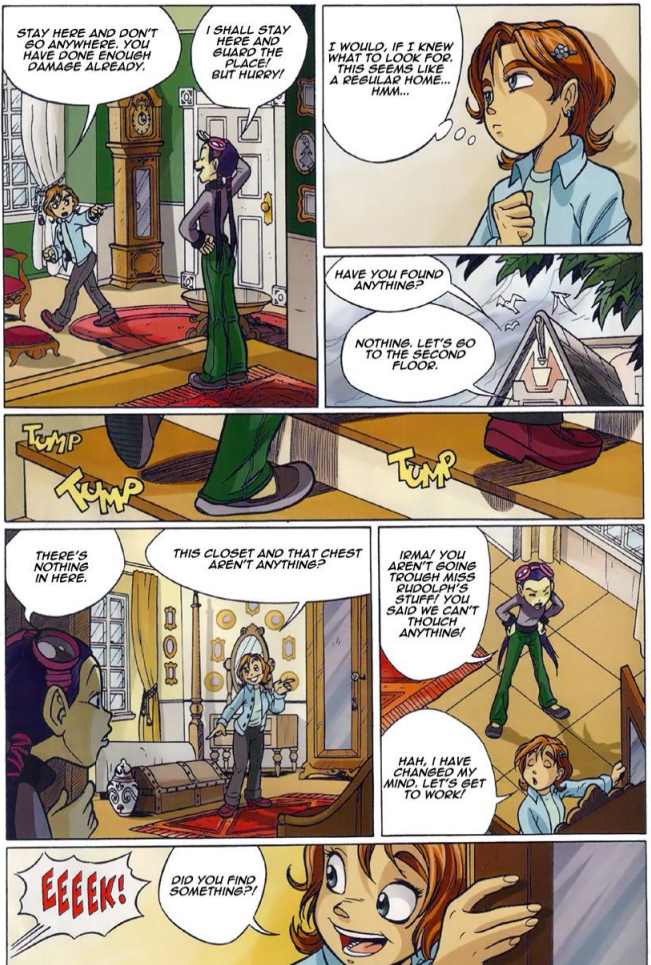
STAY HERE AND DON'T GO ANYWHERE. YOU HAVE DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE ALREADY.
I SHALL STAY HERE AND GUARD THE PLACE! BUT HURRY!
I WOULD, IF I KNEW WHAT TO LOOK FOR. THIS SEEMS LIKE A REGULAR HOME... HMM...
HAVE YOU FOUND ANYTHING?
NOTHING. LET'S GO TO THE SECOND FLOOR.
TUMP
TUMP
TUMP
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THERE'S NOTHING IN HERE.
THIS CLOSET AND THAT CHEST AREN'T ANYTHING?
IRMA! YOU AREN'T GOING TROUGH MISS RUDOLPH'S STUFF! YOU SAID WE CAN'T THOUCH ANYTHING!
HAH, I HAVE CHANGED MY MIND. LET'S SET TO WORK!
EEEEK!
DID YOU FIND SOMETHING?!

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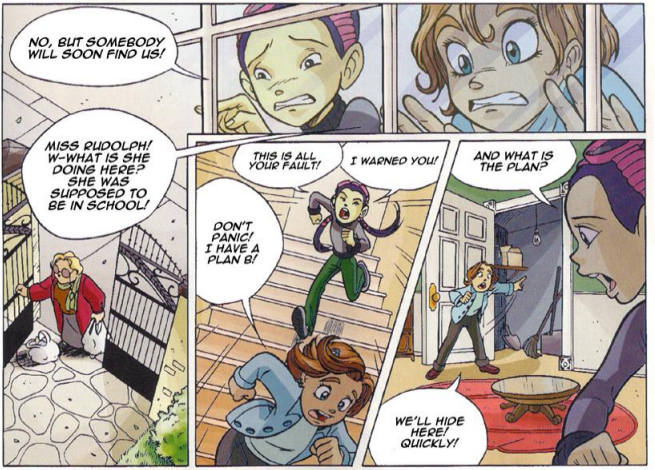
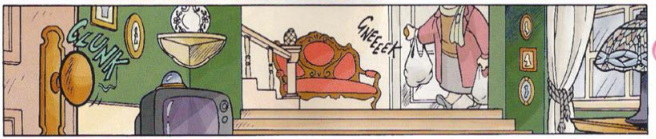
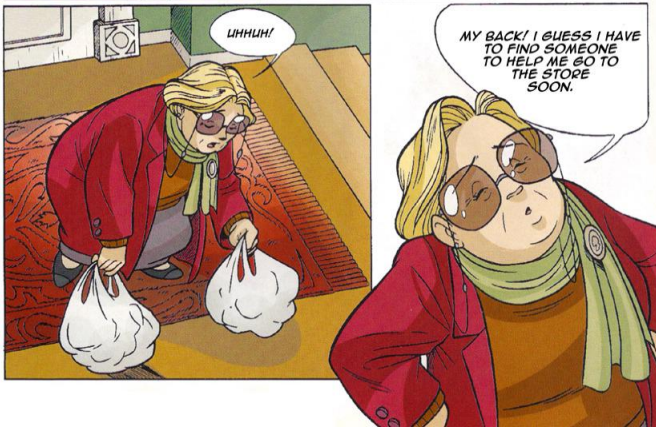
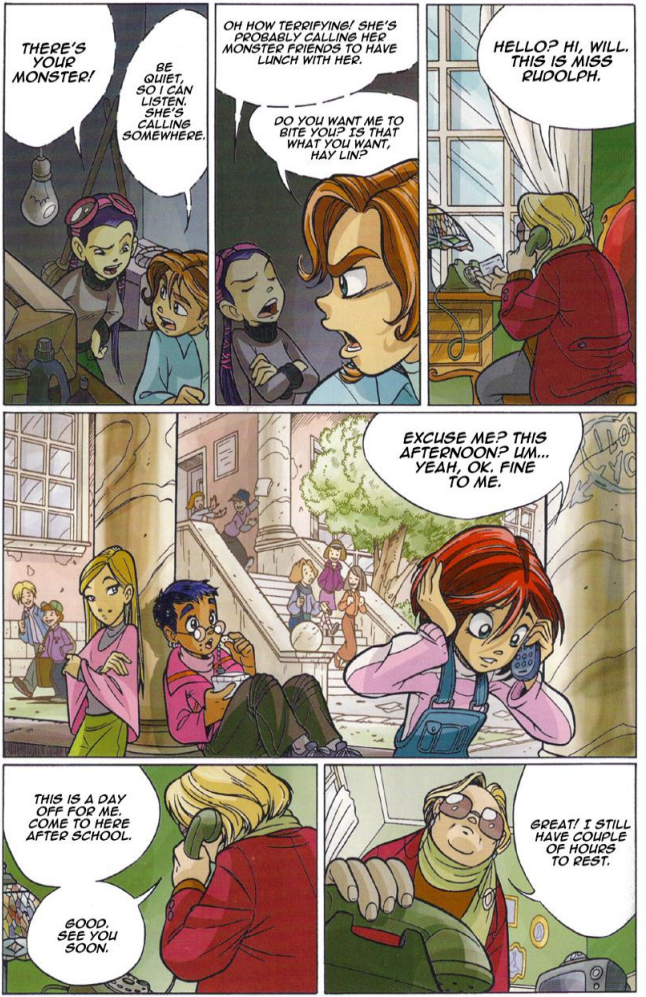

NO, BUT SOMEBODY WILL SOON FIND US!
MISS RUDOLPH! W-WHAT IS SHE DOING HERE? SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IN SCHOOL!
THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!
I WARNED YOU!
DON'T PANIC! I HAVE A PLAN B!
AND WHAT IS THE PLAN?
WE'LL HIDE HERE! QUICKLY!






THERE'S YOUR MONSTER!
BE QUIET, SO I CAN LISTEN. SHE'S CALLING SOMEWHERE.
OH HOW TERRIFYING! SHE'S PROBABLY CALLING HER MONSTER FRIENDS TO HAVE LUNCH WITH HER.
DO YOU WANT ME TO BITE YOU? IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT, HAY LIN?
HELLO? HI, WILL. THIS IS MISS RUDOLPH.
EXCUSE ME? THIS AFTERNOON? UM... YEAH, OK. FINE TO ME.
THIS IS A DAY OFF FOR ME. COME TO HERE AFTER SCHOOL.
GOOD. SEE YOU SOON.
GREAT! I STILL HAVE COUPLE OF HOURS TO REST.

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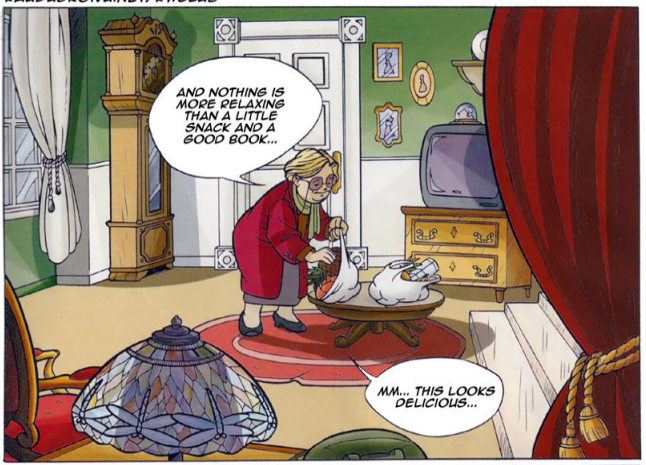

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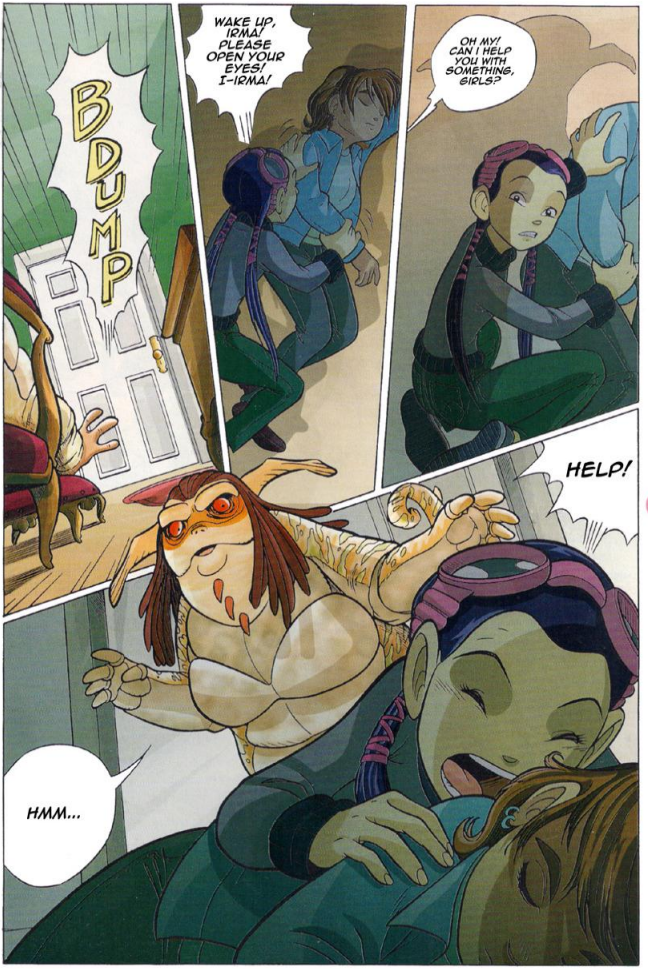
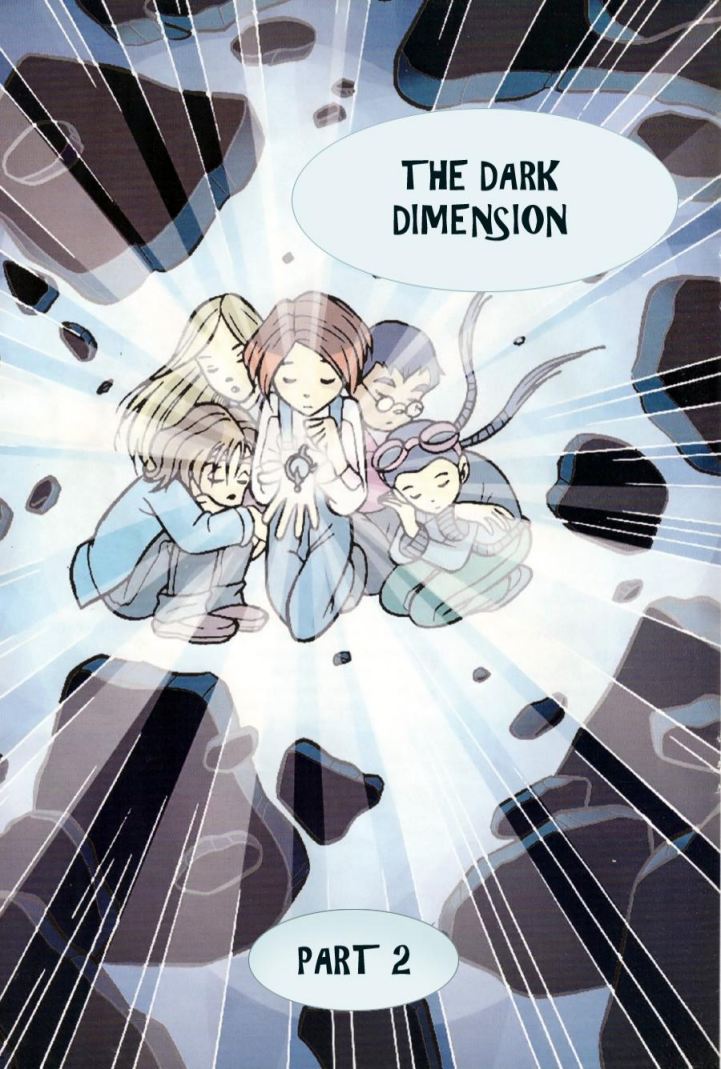

BDUMP
WAKE UP, IRMA! PLEASE OPEN YOUR EYES! I-IRMA!
OH MY! CAN I HELP YOU WITH SOMETHING, GIRLS?
HELP!
HMM...


THE DARK DIMENSION
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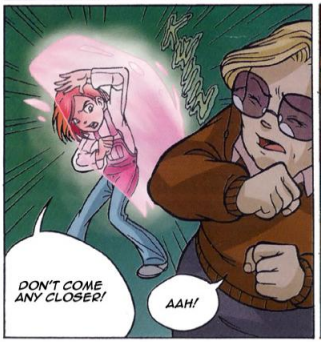
WILL VANDOM HAS NEVER LIKED MATH VERY MUCH AND MATH KNOW IT.
IT'S A SUBJECT THAT LIKES TO REVENGE. FIRST YOU SUFFER. THEN YOU HATE IT AND IN THE END, YOU DO EVERYTHING TO FORGET IT.
DLIN DLON
HELLO, WILL!
AND WHEN YOU REALISE, THAT IT ACTUALLY MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO LEARN IT...
COME IN, MY FRIEND.
...IT'S TOO LATE.
!
BUMP
LOOK OUT, WILL! IT'S A TRAP!
MPH! MMMGH!

MISS RUDOLPH! W-WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
I... I...

...CAN EXPLAIN EVERYTHING, WILL.

DON'T LISTEN TO HER, WILL! SHE'S A MONSTER FROM METAWORLD!
OW, MY HEAD. I GET THE WEIRD FEELING FROM THIS HOUSE...

...OR FROM SOMEBODY IN HERE!
WILL...


DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
AAH!

QUICKLY, WILL! OPEN THE ROPES!
BUT GIRLS, DON'T BE AFRAID OF ME.

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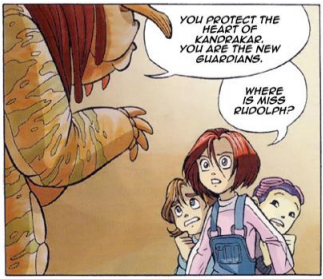

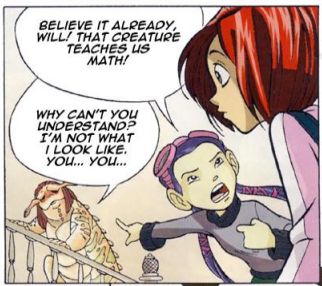

I NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN...
...BUT I WAS WRONG.
MISS RUDOLPH!
GOODBYE, GIRLS.
I'M COMING BACK, MERIDIAN.
FWOOOOSH
IT'S A PORTAL!
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO, WILL?
THOUGHTS RUN QUICKER THAN THE WORDS... AND WILL'S ANSWER COMES OUT MAGICALLY!
JUST LIKE THE HEART OF KANDARAKAR WOULD DECIDE IT FOR HER.

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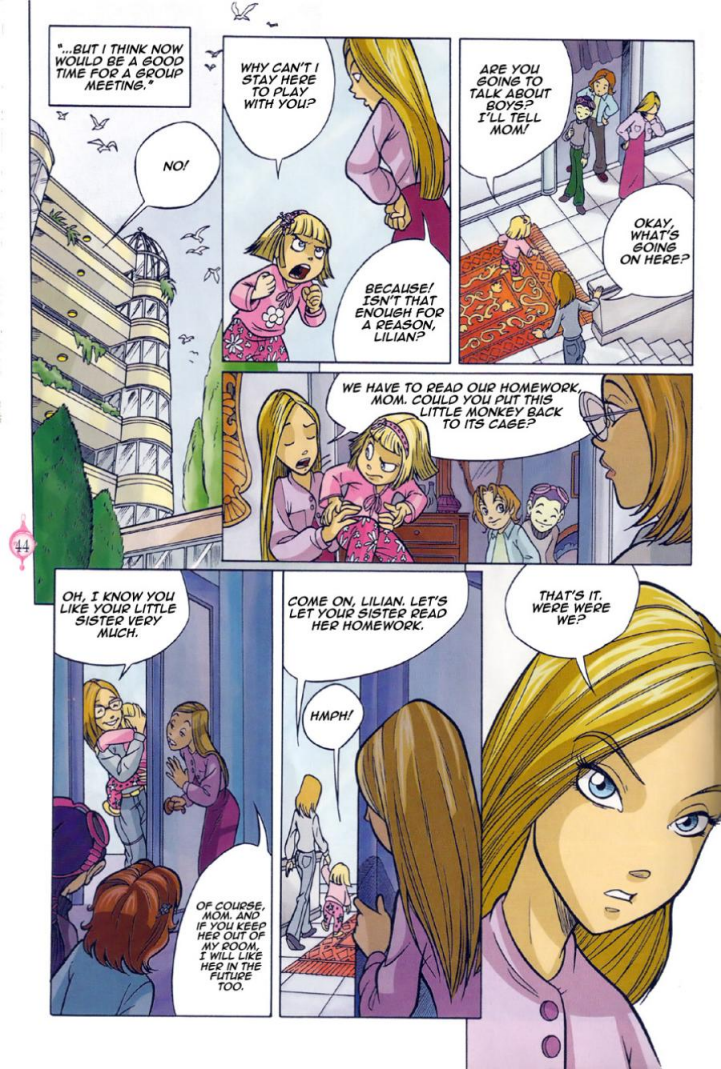
"...BUT I THINK NOW WOULD BE A GOOD TIME FOR A GROUP MEETING."
NO!
WHY CAN'T I STAY HERE TO PLAY WITH YOU?
BECAUSE! ISN'T THAT ENOUGH FOR A REASON, LILIAN?
ARE YOU GOING TO TALK ABOUT BOYS? I'LL TELL MOM!
OKAY, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
WE HAVE TO READ OUR HOMEWORK, MOM. COULD YOU PUT THIS LITTLE MONKEY BACK TO ITS CAGE?
OH, I KNOW YOU LIKE YOUR LITTLE SISTER VERY MUCH.
OF COURSE, MOM. AND IF YOU KEEP HER OUT OF MY ROOM, I WILL LIKE HER IN THE FUTURE TOO.
COME ON, LILIAN. LET'S LET YOUR SISTER READ HER HOMEWORK.
HMPH!
THAT'S IT. WERE WERE WE?

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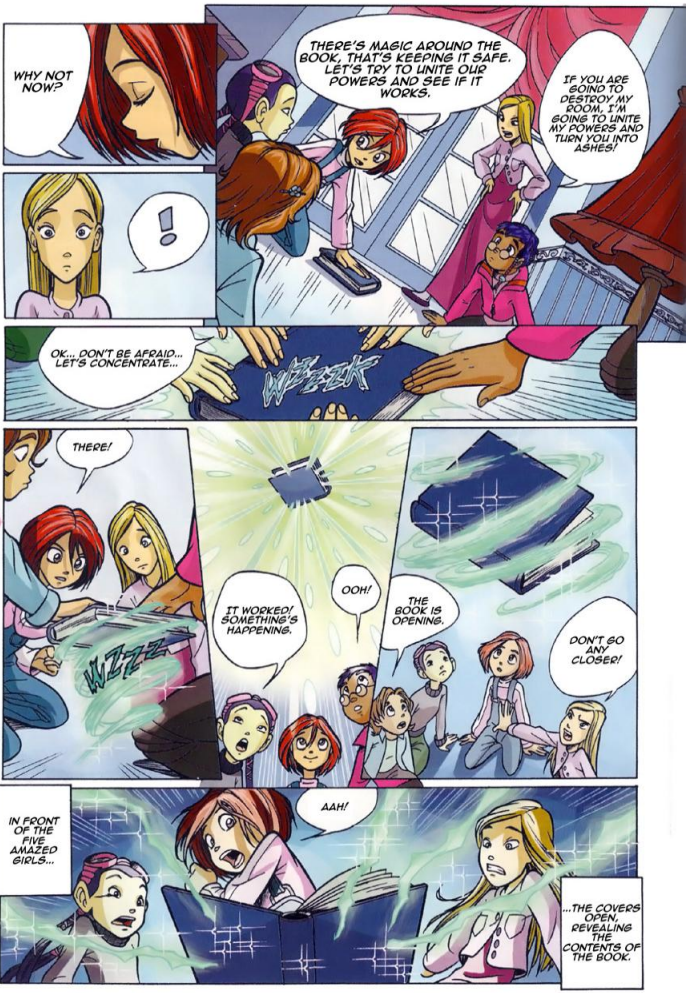
I SAID THAT THE BOOK FROM ELYON'S HOUSE COULD EXPLAIN A LOT.
WE DON'T KNOW WHO ARE OUR ENEMIES, BUT I THINK THAT THE SITUATION IS A LITTLE BIT CLEARER NOW.
CREATURES FROM METAWORLD ARE ALL AROUND US.
WE DON'T KNOW OUR ENEMY, BUT IT SEEMS THAT THEY KNOW US. I HAVE SAID THIS BEFORE ALREADY...
...BUT REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN, OK?
I HAVE SAID SOMETHING BEFORE TOO THAT I WANT TO REPEAT. I DON'T WANT TO CONTINUE LIKE THIS. I NEED SOME ANSWERS!
WHO ARE WE FIGHTING AGAINST? WHAT ARE THE CREATURES WE HAVE SEEN ALREADY? WHAT DO THEY WANT? KANDRAKAR'S VEIL... KANDRAKAR. ANOTHER REALITY. THEY ARE STILL A COMPLETE MYSTERY TO US. AND WHAT ABOUT OUR POWERS?
LET'S SEE IF THE BOOK HAS SOME ANSWERS.
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE, WILL! I'VE TRIED TO OPEN IT ALREADY.
MAYBE WE HAVE TO UNITE OUR POWERS AGAIN. IT HAS WORKED BEFORE.


WHY NOT NOW?
!
THERE'S MAGIC AROUND THE BOOK, THAT'S KEEPING IT SAFE. LET'S TRY TO UNITE OUR POWERS AND SEE IF IT WORKS.
IF YOU ARE GOING TO DESTROY MY ROOM, I'M GOING TO UNITE MY POWERS AND TURN YOU INTO ASHES!
OK... DON'T BE AFRAID... LET'S CONCENTRATE...
WIZZEEK
THERE!
WIZZEE
IT WORKED! SOMETHING'S HAPPENING.
OOH!
THE BOOK IS OPENING.
DON'T GO ANY CLOSER!
IN FRONT OF THE FIVE AMAZED GIRLS...
AAH!
...THE COVERS OPEN, REVEALING THE CONTENTS OF THE BOOK.

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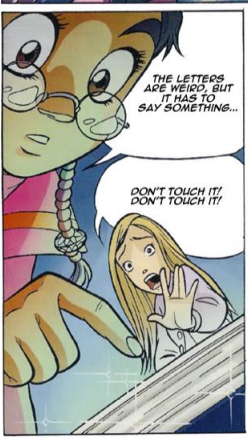
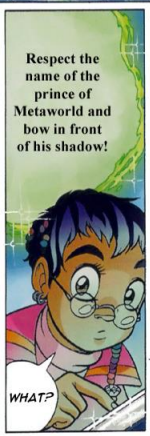
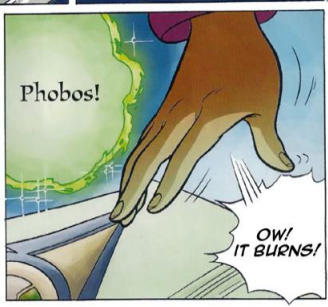
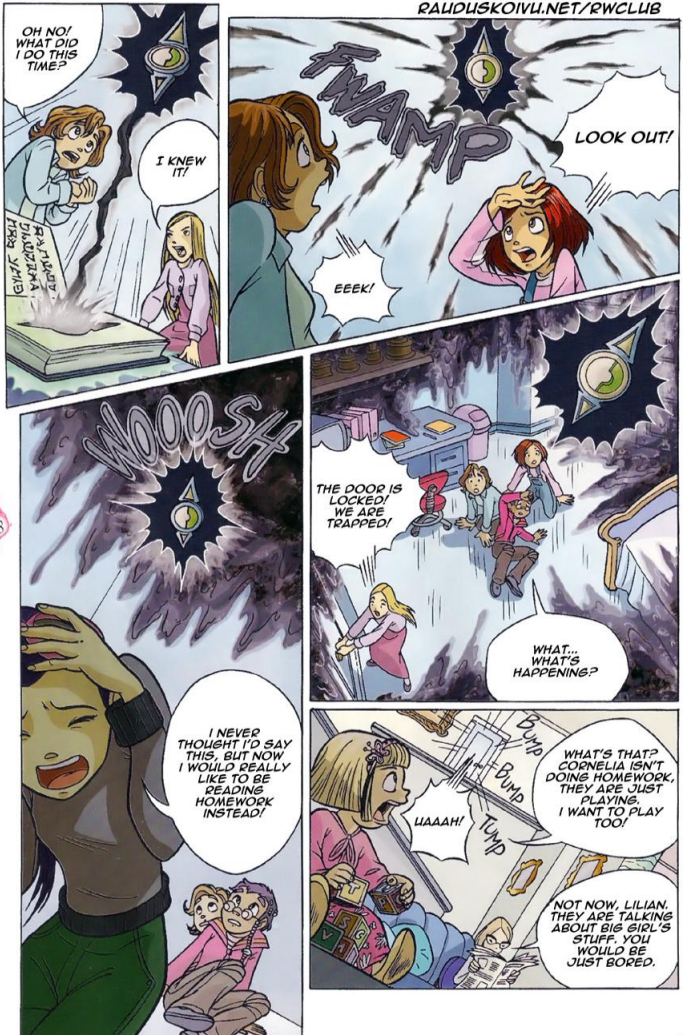
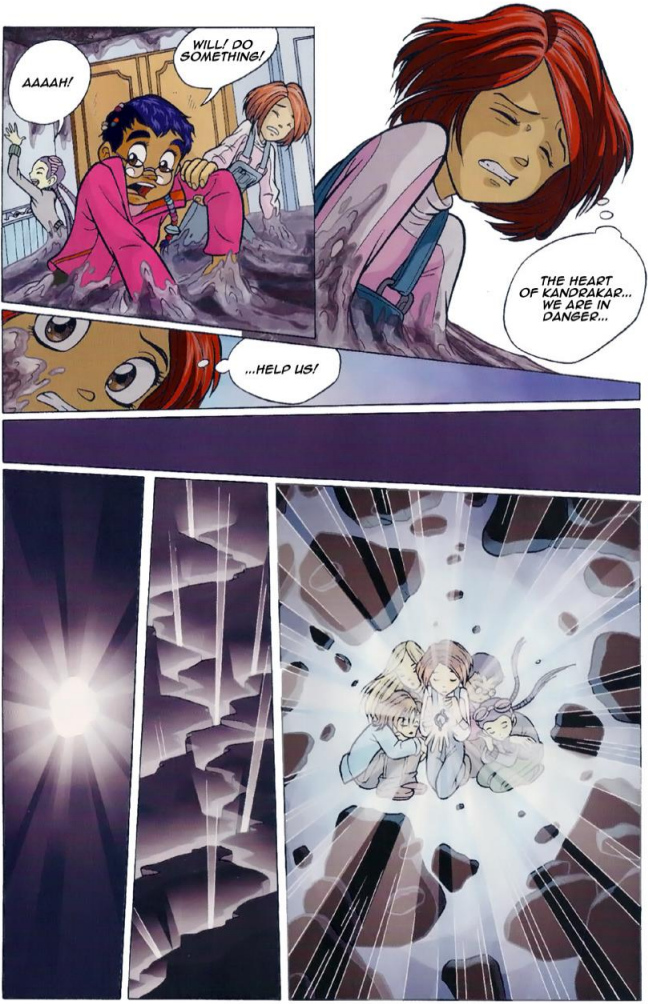


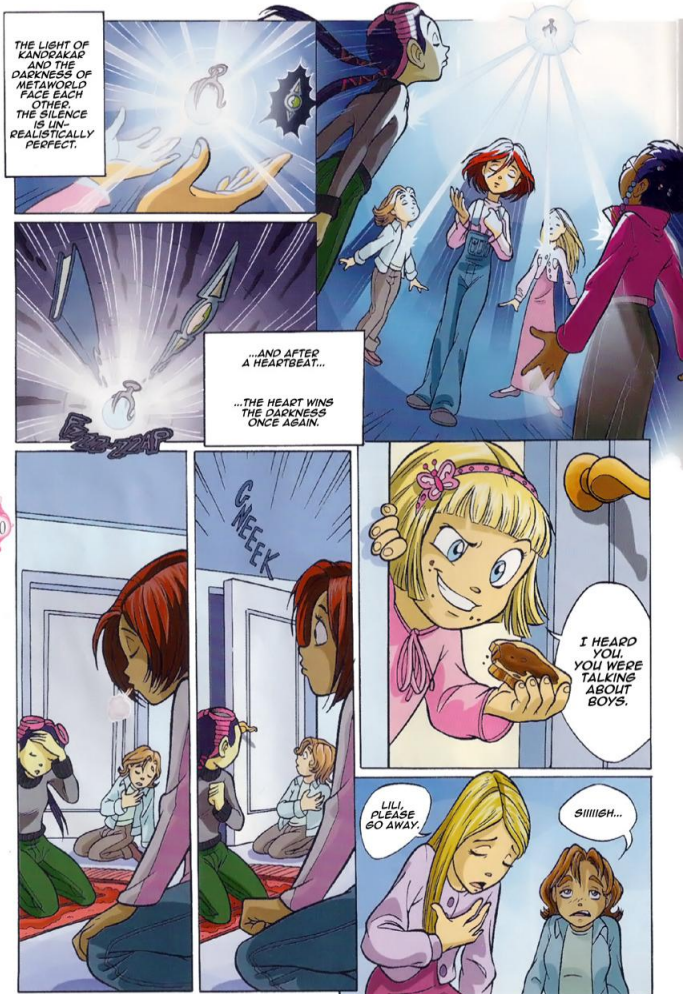


THE VOICE! IT TALKED TO ME! THIS IS THE SEAL OF PRINCE PHOBOS.
I DON'T KNOW WHO THIS FABIUS IS, BUT THIS TIME I'LL GET THE JEWELLERY.




OH NO! WHAT DID I DO THIS TIME?
I KNEW IT!
FWAMP
LOOK OUT!
EEEK!
WOOOSH
THE DOOR IS LOCKED! WE ARE TRAPPED!
WHAT... WHAT'S HAPPENING?
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SAY THIS, BUT NOW I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO BE READING HOMEWORK INSTEAD!
BUMP
BUMP
TUMP
UAAAH!
WHAT'S THAT? CORNELIA ISN'T DOING HOMEWORK, THEY ARE JUST PLAYING. I WANT TO PLAY TOO!
NOT NOW, LILIAN. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT BIG GIRL'S STUFF. YOU WOULD BE JUST BORED.


AAAAH!
WILL! DO SOMETHING!
THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR... WE ARE IN DANGER...
...HELP US!


THE LIGHT OF KANDRAKAR AND THE DARKNESS OF METAWORLD FACE EACH OTHER. THE SILENCE IS UN-REALISTICALLY PERFECT.
...AND AFTER A HEARTBEAT...
...THE HEART WINS THE DARKNESS ONCE AGAIN.
I HEARD YOU. YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT BOYS.
LILI, PLEASE GO AWAY...
SIIIIIGH...

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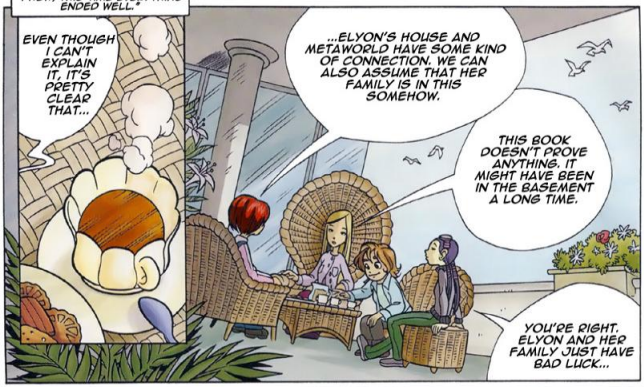
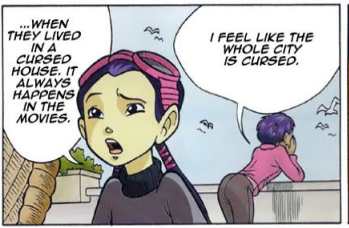
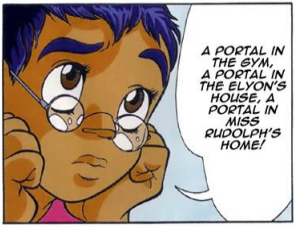
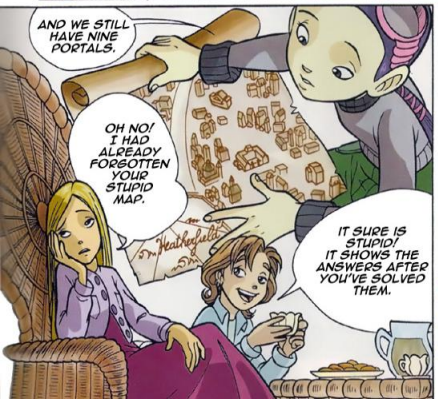

"PHEW, THIS TIME EVERYTHING ENDED WELL."
EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT, IT'S PRETTY CLEAR THAT...
...ELYON'S HOUSE AND METAWORLD HAVE SOME KIND OF CONNECTION. WE CAN ALSO ASSUME THAT HER FAMILY IS IN THIS SOMEHOW.
THIS BOOK DOESN'T PROVE ANYTHING. IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE BASEMENT A LONG TIME.
YOU'RE RIGHT. ELYON AND HER FAMILY JUST HAVE BAD LUCK...


...WHEN THEY LIVED IN A CURSED HOUSE. IT ALWAYS HAPPENS IN THE MOVIES.
I FEEL LIKE THE WHOLE CITY IS CURSED.


A PORTAL IN THE GYM, A PORTAL IN THE ELYON'S HOUSE, A PORTAL IN MISS RUDOLPH'S HOME!

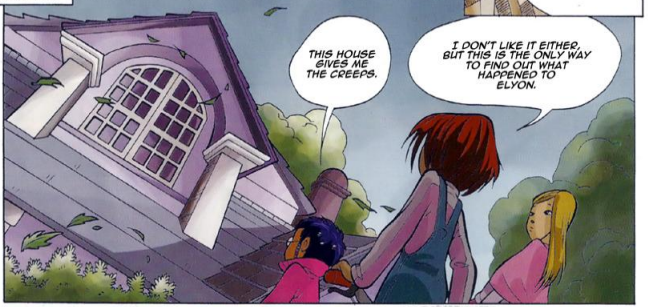

AND WE STILL HAVE NINE PORTALS.
OH NO! I HAD ALREADY FORGOTTEN YOUR STUPID MAP.
IT SURE IS STUPID! IT SHOWS THE ANSWERS AFTER YOU'VE SOLVED THEM.

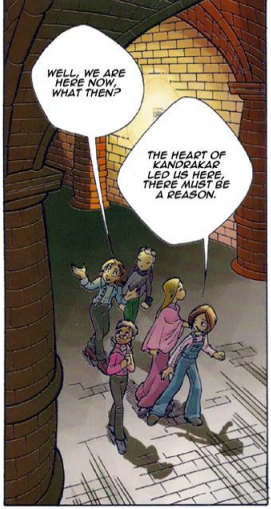
BUT IF GRANDMA GAVE ME THE MAP, IT MUST BE PRETTY IMPORTANT, SHERLOCK-IRMA.
GUYS...

LOOK! THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR IS POINTING AT SOMETHING...

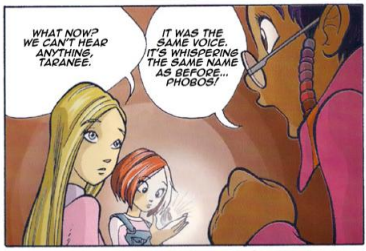
THAT'S ELYON'S HOUSE!
GIRLS! THIS IS A CLEAR MESSAGE.

AND SO:

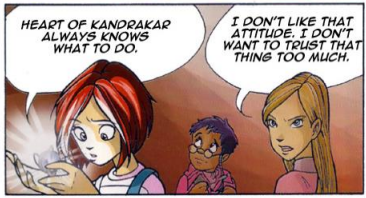

THIS HOUSE GIVES ME THE CREEPS.
I DON'T LIKE IT EITHER, BUT THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO ELYON.

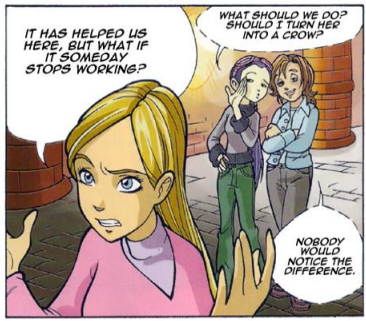

WELL, WE ARE HERE NOW. WHAT THEN?
THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR LED US HERE. THERE MUST BE A REASON.

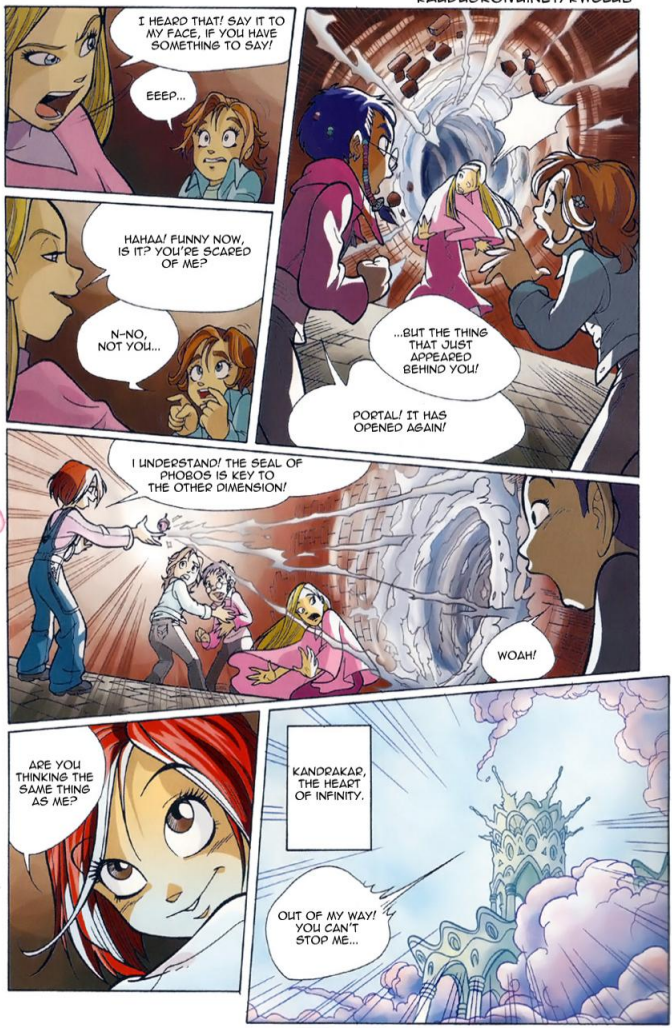
Phobos... Phobos...
LISTEN! HEY, LISTEN!

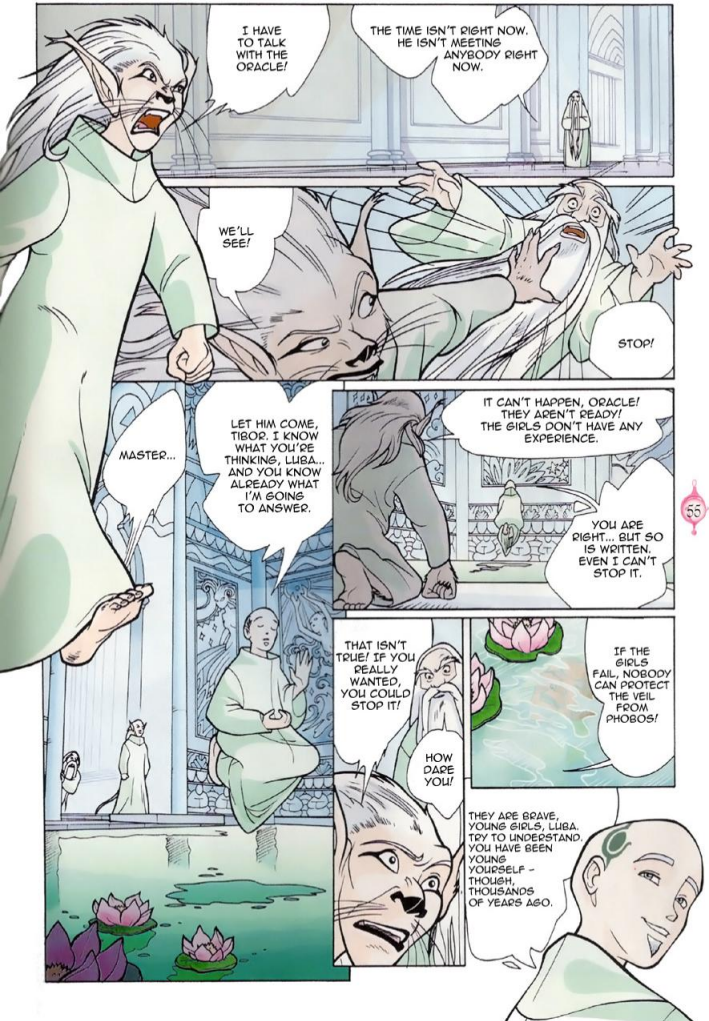

WHAT NOW? WE CAN'T HEAR ANYTHING, TARANEE.
IT WAS THE SAME VOICE. IT'S WHISPERING THE SAME NAME AS BEFORE... PHOBOS!

WHAT SHOULD WE DO? THE SEAL IS THERE, INSIDE.
AND GETS TO STAY THERE!


HEART OF KANDRAKAR ALWAYS KNOWS WHAT TO DO.
I DON'T LIKE THAT ATTITUDE. I DON'T WANT TO TRUST THAT THING TOO MUCH.


IT HAS HELPED US HERE, BUT WHAT IF IT SOMEDAY STOPS WORKING?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? SHOULD I TURN HER INTO A CROW?
NOBODY WOULD NOTICE THE DIFFERENCE.


I HEARD THAT! SAY IT TO MY FACE, IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY!
EEEP...
HAHAA! FUNNY NOW, IS IT? YOU'RE SCARED OF ME?
N-NO, NOT YOU...
...BUT THE THING THAT JUST APPEARED BEHIND YOU!
PORTAL! IT HAS OPENED AGAIN!
I UNDERSTAND! THE SEAL OF PHOBOS IS KEY TO THE OTHER DIMENSION!
WOAH!
ARE YOU THINKING THE SAME THING AS ME?
KANDRAKAR, THE HEART OF INFINITY.
OUT OF MY WAY! YOU CAN'T STOP ME...


I HAVE TO TALK WITH THE ORACLE!
THE TIME ISN'T RIGHT NOW. HE ISN'T MEETING ANYBODY RIGHT NOW.
WE'LL SEE!
STOP!
MASTER...
LET HIM COME, TIBOR. I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING, LUBA... AND YOU KNOW ALREADY WHAT I'M GOING TO ANSWER.
IT CAN'T HAPPEN, ORACLE! THEY AREN'T READY! THE GIRLS DON'T HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE.
YOU ARE RIGHT... BUT SO IS WRITTEN. EVEN I CAN'T STOP IT.
55
THAT ISN'T TRUE! IF YOU REALLY WANTED, YOU COULD STOP IT!
HOW DARE YOU!
IF THE GIRLS FAIL, NOBODY CAN PROTECT THE VEIL FROM PHOBOS!
THEY ARE BRAVE, YOUNG GIRLS, LUBA. TRY TO UNDERSTAND. YOU HAVE BEEN YOUNG YOURSELF – THOUGH, THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO.

OKAY... AND NOW...
...WE CAN GO.

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TARANEE, COULD YOU HELP US AND MAKE THE FLAMES A LITTLE LESS DANGEROUS?
OF COURSE. JUST A MINUTE.
DO WE HAVE TO JUMP IN THAT FIRE CIRCLE?
WOOOOOSH
FLAMES, LISTEN TO ME.
DID YOU HEAR? DIE DOWN.
WOW! IT WORKED!
GOOD! NOW WE CAN GO IN.
WAIT! WHAT HAPPENS IF WE GET STUCK ON THE OTHER SIDE?
WAMPH
57
WE HAVE THE SEAL OF PHOBOS! IF IT HELPED US IN, IT WILL HELP US OUT TOO.
HAH! WHO "MISS KNOW-IT-ALL" YOU THINK YOU ARE? YOU SPEAK LIKE YOU HAD BEEN DOING THESE THINGS FOR AGES.
EH... I KNOW, CORNELIA... BUT WOULD YOU BELIEVE, IF I TOLD YOU THAT SOMEBODY TELLS ME HOW THE THINGS ARE?
NO WAY! I'M NOT SOME CIRCUS CLOWN!

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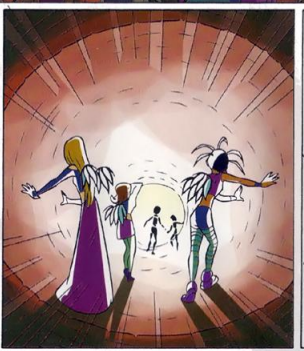

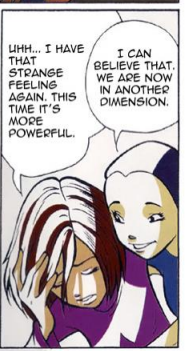

BUT... THIS IS HEATHERFIELD!
IT IS! SEEMS LIKE WE CAME TO THE WRONG ADDRESS.
SOMETHING'S WRONG. IT'S SO QUIET IN HERE. LISTEN! NOT A SINGLE SOUND.
LOOK!
HEY! YOU THERE, WAIT! DON'T GO ANYWHERE.
OPEN THE DOOR! I JUST WANT TO...
BAM BAM
KRRRRR
...TALK TO YOU. OH NO!
WHAT DID YOU DO?
DON'T SHOUT! IT WASN'T MY FAULT!

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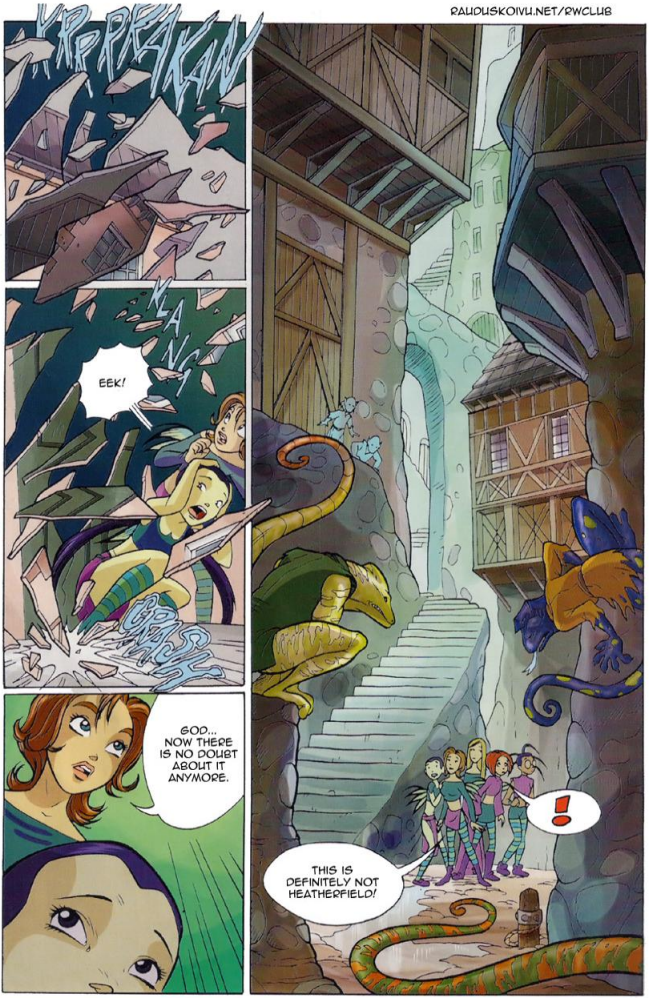
KRRRRAKAW
KANG
EEK!
CRASH
GOD... NOW THERE IS NO DOUBT ABOUT IT ANYMORE.
THIS IS DEFINITELY NOT HEATHERFIELD!
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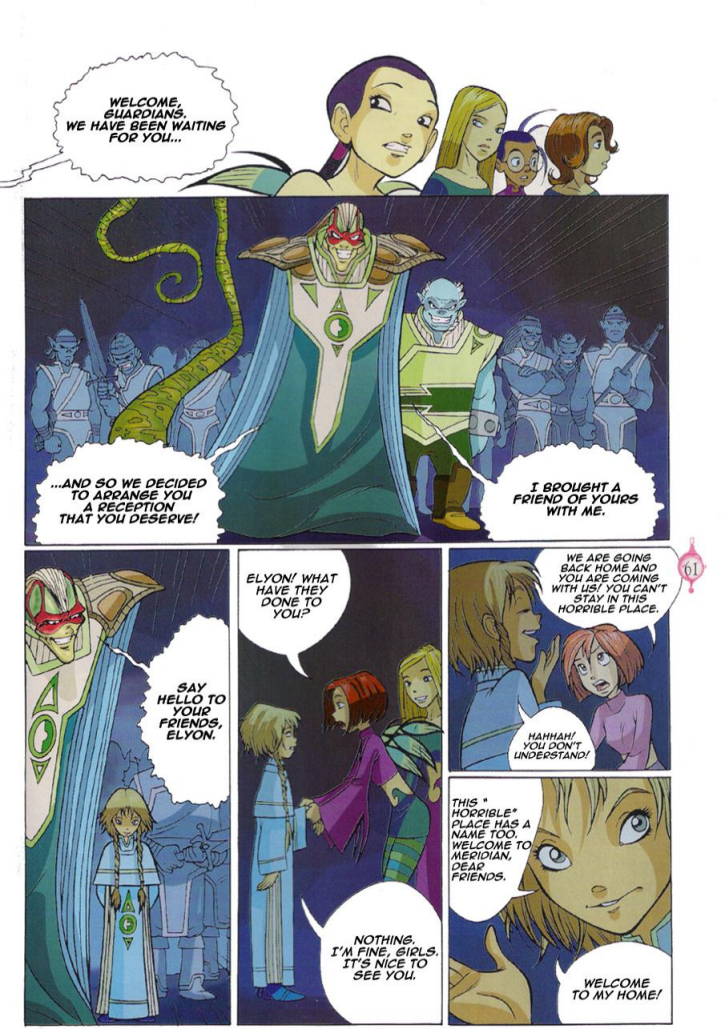
WELCOME, GUARDIANS. WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU...
...AND SO WE DECIDED TO ARRANGE YOU A RECEPTION THAT YOU DESERVE!
I BROUGHT A FRIEND OF YOURS WITH ME.
SAY HELLO TO YOUR FRIENDS, ELYON.
ELYON! WHAT HAVE THEY DONE TO YOU?
NOTHING. I'M FINE, GIRLS. IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU.
WE ARE GOING BACK HOME AND YOU ARE COMING WITH US! YOU CAN'T STAY IN THIS HORRIBLE PLACE.
HAHHAH! YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!
THIS "HORRIBLE" PLACE HAS A NAME TOO. WELCOME TO MERIDIAN, DEAR FRIENDS.
WELCOME TO MY HOME!
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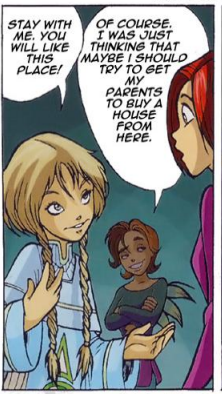
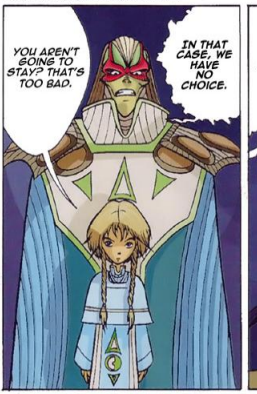

STAY WITH ME. YOU WILL LIKE THIS PLACE!
OF COURSE. I WAS JUST THINKING THAT MAYBE I SHOULD TRY TO GET MY PARENTS TO BUY A HOUSE FROM HERE.



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KRRRRR
GOOD, GIRLS! THIS IS EASY FOR US!
GRRR!
IF I WASN'T SCARED FOR MY LIFE, I COULD ACTUALLY ENJOY THIS.
DON'T DISAPPOINT US. YOU ALMOST FELL THERE ALREADY!
UAAAH!
BUMP
EVERY TIME I CAN BE HELPFUL...
THANK YOU! WHAT WOULD I DO WITHOUT YOU?
THEY ARE TOO STRONG FOR OUR SOLDIERS, MASTER!
HURRY! LET'S GET OUT OF BEFORE HE GETS REINFORCEMENT HERE.
ZOUNDS! THEY CAN'T GET AWAY.
CALL FROST, THE HUNTER HERE. YOUR STUPID GUARDS WILL GET A PUNISHMENT FOR THEIR WEAKNESS...
I WON'T DISAPPOINT YOU, LORD CEDRIC...

...BECAUSE NO ONE CAN ESPACE FROM FROST!
KRRAAH!
HIAAAH!
TABADUMP
WHERE ARE WE GOING? WE SHOULD STOP TO THINK WHAT TO DO.
THIS WAY! LET'S HIDE THERE!
QUICKLY INSIDE! I HEAR SOMEONE COMING.
TABADUMP TABADUMP

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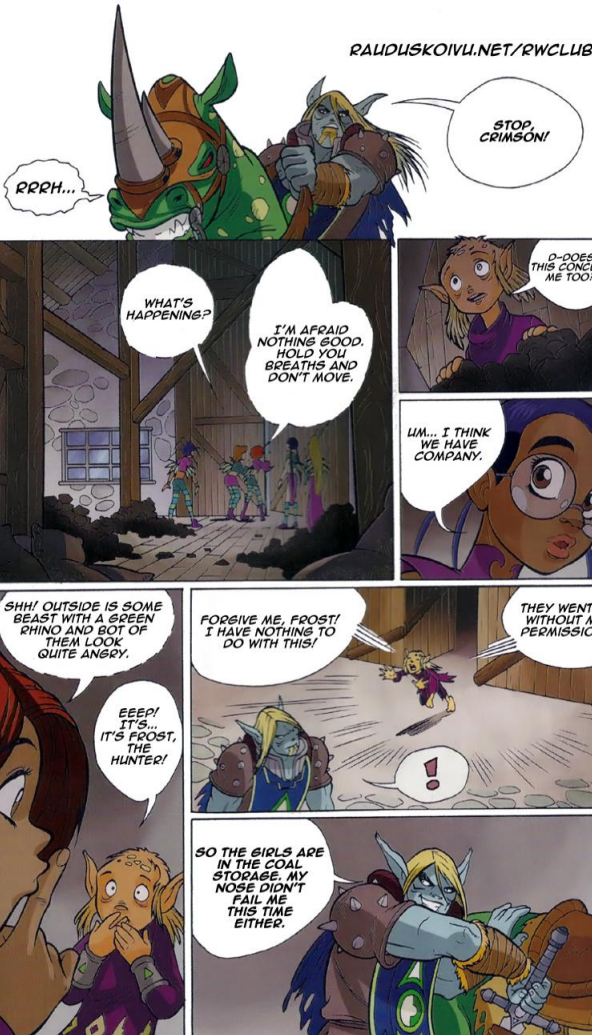
RRRH...
STOP, CRIMSON!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
I'M AFRAID NOTHING GOOD. HOLD YOU BREATHS AND DON'T MOVE.
D-DOES THIS CONCERN ME TOO?
UM... I THINK WE HAVE COMPANY.
SHH! OUTSIDE IS SOME BEAST WITH A GREEN RHINO AND BOT OF THEM LOOK QUITE ANGRY.
EEEP! IT'S.. IT'S FROST, THE HUNTER!
FORGIVE ME, FROST! I HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS!
THEY WENT IN WITHOUT MY PERMISSION!
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SO THE GIRLS ARE IN THE COAL STORAGE. MY NOSE DIDN'T FAIL ME THIS TIME EITHER.

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DO YOU HEAR ME, GIRLS? ARE YOU COMING OUT BY YOURSELF OR AM I COMING THERE?
NONE OF THE OPTIONS DON'T SOUND TOO GOOD.
THAT GIANT WON'T BE FOOLED EASILY. HE'S ONLY FOLLOWING US.
WE NEED A BAIT. SOMETHING TO MOVE HIS ATTENTION FROM US, SO WE CAN RUN!
OF COURSE! WITH THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR, WE CAN MAKE AN ILLUSION...
...AND LEAVE HIM FOLLOWING IT.
AGAIN THAT HEART! IT ISN'T SOME ALADDIN'S MAGIC LAMP.
...AND I DO, WITH ALL MY HEART.
IT'S ENOUGH IF YOU BELIEVE IN IT, CORNELIA.
OH MY IMOHAL'S LIGHTING AND THUNDER!

YOU ARE QUICK, GUARDIANS, BUT MY SWORD IS EVEN QUICKER!
TRAK
SHEZZ
WHAT IS THIS?
RUN!

ERYMT!
HELP!

YOUR LITTLE TRICK DIDN'T WORK THAT WELL. NOW YOU'RE MINE.

GOOD JOB, FROST! BUT WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?
YOU WILL GET THEM SOON. DO YOU HEAR ME, GUARDIANS?

COME OUT, AND YOUR FRIEND...
...WON'T BE HARMED!

BE QUIET FOR A MINUTE, I'M THINKING.
WILL!

DON'T LISTEN TO HIM! GO AWAY!
NO, TARANEE.
IT'S NOT FAIR TO GIVE ADVICE.
I THINK WE SHOULD TEACH HER A LESSON.
WHAT SNAKE! DID YOU SEE HOW SHE SILENCED TARANEE?
NO! PLEASE, GO AWAY. GO AWAY! DO AS I SAY, WILL!
GO AWAY!
I CAN HEAR TARANEE'S THOUGHTS!
HEART OF KANDRAKAR, TAKE US HOME.
BUT WILL...
NO BUTS! NOW WE'LL DO AS I SAY! IT IS TARANEE'S WILL.

EPILOGUE:
LET'S CONCENTRATE ONE MORE TIME...
WOOOOSHHHHH
WH-WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT? IS THERE SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT ME?
AMAZING! SHE LOOKS AND TALKS LIKE TARANEE, BUT SHE ISN'T HER!
WE DIDN'T HAVE A CHOICE. IF TARANEE HADN'T COME HOME IN THE EVENING, WE WOULD ONLY HAVE GOT IN BIGGER TROUBLE.
WE DID HAVE ANOTHER CHOICE...
TARANEE HERSELF ASKED US TO LEAVE, CORNELIA! BUT WE WILL GO BACK, AND EVEN IF IT WOULD BE OUR LAST THING TO DO, WE WILL BRING HER BACK FROM MERIDIAN.
AND WILL KEEPS HER PROMISE.